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CHAPTER XXX.

THE COCO-MARICOPA AND THE PIMO INDIANS.

Visit from the Coco-Maricopa Indians—Camp removed to the banks of the Gila—The river dry—No grass—War party—Return to our first camp—Traffic with these Indians—Further accounts of the Oatman family—Francisco the Maricopa interpreter—Feeding the tribe—Visit from the Pimos—Religious notions of these tribes—Their manners and customs—Agriculture—Art of spinning and weaving—Manufactures of cotton—Pottery—Basket-work—Dress—Their attempts at collecting zoological specimens—Villages—Houses and mode of building—Storehouses—Horses and cattle.

In the afternoon our camp was filled with the Coco-Maricopa Indians, who had discovered us from some of their look-outs. They all manifested a friendly disposition, and seemed very glad to meet among us so many of their old acquaintances, several of the party having spent some days among them while engaged in surveying the river. The most active and important man among them was a chief named Francisco Dukey. He had been in various parts of Mexico and California, spoke Spanish fluently, and acted as our interpreter. There were three or four others who had lived for some time at Tucson, where they had picked up sufficient Spanish to make themselves understood.

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P RY 123 648 wards my tent in single file, with a great deal of importance. The leader advanced with a dignified air, and the Doctor got his bottles ready to receive the specimens which the six men had collected. But his expectations, if he indulged any, of adding new species to his collection, soon vanished, when the man laid upon the table two small lizards, *minus their tails*, which had been broken off in securing them. For their arduous services in the cause of science, the captors of the tailless lizards coolly demanded a shirt apiece.

P RY 622 648 Two old chiefs made their appearance to-day, and at once recognised Mr. Leroux as the person who guided Colonel Cooke and his battalion through here in 1847. Mr. Leroux also recognised one whom they called Blanco, as a chief who commanded the Maricopas twenty-five years ago, when a party of hunters and trappers from New Mexico, among whom was Leroux, had a severe fight with them, and escaped narrowly with their lives. On being reminded of it, the old chief recollected the circumstances, which he related, and which corresponded with the account of Leroux.

P RY 133 311 648 The valley or bottom-land occupied by the Pimos and Coco-Maricopas extends about fifteen miles along the south side of the Gila, and is from two to four miles in width, nearly the whole being occupied by their villages and cultivated fields. The Pimos occupy the eastern portion. There is no dividing line between them, nor any thing to distinguish the villages of one from the other. The whole of this plain is intersected P RY by irrigating canals from the Gila, by which they [312] are enabled to control the waters, and raise the most luxuriant crops.